

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Canceled).
2. (Currently Amended) The hinge structure according to ~~claim 1~~ claim 20, further comprising at least one anti-release member ~~members member~~ respectively ~~in the outer circumferences of said pivotal plates provided on each of the first and second ends of the rotation shaft for preventing release of said the pivotal plates from the rotation shaft.~~
3. (Canceled).
4. (Currently Amended) The hinge structure according to ~~claim 1~~ claim 23, further comprising at least one sliding member ~~members member~~ provided ~~in contact faces between said the~~ fixed plate and ~~said the~~ at least one stopper guides guide for restricting noise and abrasion.
- 5-6. (Canceled).

7. (Currently Amended) The hinge structure according to ~~claim 1~~ claim 25, further comprising a braking housing for surrounding ~~the~~ an outer circumference of ~~said the~~ braking member for restricting fracture of ~~said the~~ braking member.

8. (Currently Amended) The hinge structure according to ~~claim 1~~ claim 25, wherein ~~said the~~ leaf spring has a ~~number plurality of folded faces which are vertically folded~~ planes defined by folds.

9. (Currently Amended) The hinge structure according to ~~claim 1~~ claim 20, wherein said braking member is made of engineering plastic.

10-11. (Canceled).

12. (Currently Amended) The hinge structure according to ~~claim 11~~ claim 31, further comprising at least one spacing member respectively in contact faces member fitted around the rotation shaft, and positioned between said the rotation shaft and said the at least one elastic members and fitted around said rotation shaft member for preventing noise and abrasion of ~~said contact faces~~ the rotation shaft against the at least one elastic member.

13. (Currently Amended) The hinge structure according to ~~claim 10~~ claim 30, wherein said braking unit comprises a braking member is made of engineering plastic.

14. (Currently Amended) A hinge structure for a flat visual display device comprising:
a braking member made of engineering plastic and provided ~~in the~~ on an outer circumference of a rotation shaft which is inserted into fixed and pivotal plates; and
at least one elastic members with both ends placed in member having a first end coupled to one of said pivotal and fixed plates and for generating a second end coupled to said fixed plate, wherein said at least one elastic member is configured to generate a restoring force to offset the weight of the flat visual display device so as to vertically adjust the flat visual display device with a slight amount of force, whereby the weight of the flat visual display device is supported and the vertical movement thereof is compensated.

15. (Currently Amended) The hinge structure according to claim 14, wherein said braking member ~~has~~ comprises:
a frictional face contacting with said rotation shaft for providing braking force;
and
braking-tightening planes extended from said frictional face to adjust braking force.

16. (Original) The hinge structure according to claim 14, further comprising a braking housing around said braking member for maintaining the strength of said braking member.

17. (Currently Amended) The hinge structure according to claim 14, wherein ~~said the~~ braking-adjustable member has:

a frictional face contacting with ~~said the~~ rotation shaft for providing braking force;

and

braking-tightening planes horizontally extended from ~~said the~~ frictional face and with contact faces into which a leaf spring and a braking-adjustable member are inserted for adjusting braking force.

18. (Original) The hinge structure according to claim 14, wherein said braking member is provided in said fixed plate.

19. (Original) The hinge structure according to claim 14, further comprising a non-circular rotation shaft-fixing end in at least one portion of said rotation shaft for rotating said pivotal plates or said fixed plate together with said rotation shaft.

20. (New) A hinge structure for a display device, comprising:

- a fixed plate having a main body portion configured to be mounted on a support and first and second arms that extend from the main body portion;
- a rotation shaft that passes through the first and second arms of the fixed plate;
- first and second pivotal plates configured to be attached to a display, wherein the first and second pivotal plates are fixed to first and second ends of the rotation shaft such that the pivotal plates rotate with the rotation shaft relative to the fixed plate; and
- a braking unit which is mounted on the fixed plate, wherein the braking unit is configured to apply a frictional force to the rotation shaft to limit rotation of the rotation shaft relative to the fixed plate.

21. (New) The hinge structure according to claim 20, wherein the first and second ends of the rotation shaft have flat portions which are configured to be inserted into slots in the respective pivotal plates so that the pivotal plates rotate with the rotation shaft.

22. (New) The hinge structure according to claim 20, further comprising a pivoting restriction unit configured to limit pivotal movement of the pivotal plates relative to the fixed plate.

23. (New) The hinge structure according to claim 22, wherein at least one of the first and second arms of the fixed plate includes a protrusion, wherein the pivoting restriction unit comprises at least one stopper guide which is mounted on the rotation shaft so that the stopper guide rotates with the rotation shaft, and wherein the stopper guide includes a guide groove which receives the protrusion such that the stopper guide and the attached rotation shaft can only rotate a predetermined amount relative to the fixed plate.

24. (New) The hinge structure according to claim 4, wherein the sliding member comprises a washer mounted on the rotation shaft between the at least one stopper guide and the fixed plate, wherein the sliding member includes a sliding portion that abuts the at least one stopper member and a hole sliding portion that is inserted into a corresponding recess on the fixed plate.

25. (New) The hinge structure according to claim 20, wherein the braking unit comprises:

a braking member that includes two tightening plates joined by a substantially cylindrical friction portion which surrounds an outer circumference of the rotation shaft and which is configured to apply friction to the rotation shaft to limit movement of the rotation shaft;

a leaf spring interposed between the tightening plates; and

a fastener configured to adjust a spacing between the tightening plates, to thereby vary an amount of friction applied to the rotation shaft by the braking member.

26. (New) The hinge structure according to claim 25, wherein the leaf spring allows the spacing between the tightening plates to be adjusted in minute amounts.

27. (New) A hinge structure for a display device, comprising:
a fixed plate having a main body portion and first and second arms that extend from the main body portion;
a rotation shaft that passes through the first and second arms of the fixed plate;
first and second pivotal plates configured to be attached to a display, wherein the first and second pivotal plates are fixed to first and second ends of the rotation shaft such that the pivotal plates rotate with the rotation shaft relative to the fixed plate; and
a hinge-fixing unit having first and second rotation shaft guides which receive the first and second ends of the rotation shaft, wherein the hinge-fixing unit is configured to restrict shaking of the rotation shaft, and wherein the fixed plate is attached to and supported by the hinge-fixing unit.

28. (New) The hinge structure according to claim 27, further comprising a pivoting restriction unit configured to limit rotation of the rotation shaft relative to the fixed plate.

29. (New) The hinge structure according to claim 27, further comprising a braking unit which is mounted on the fixed plate and which surrounds the rotation shaft, wherein the braking unit is configured to apply a frictional force to the rotation shaft.

30. (New) The hinge structure according to claim 29, wherein the braking unit comprises:

a braking member that includes two tightening plates joined by a substantially cylindrical friction portion which surrounds an outer circumference of the rotation shaft and which is configured to apply friction to the rotation shaft to limit movement of the rotation shaft;

a leaf spring interposed between the tightening plates; and

a fastener configured to adjust a spacing between the tightening plates, to thereby vary an amount of friction applied to the rotation shaft by the braking member.

31. (New) The hinge structure according to claim 27, further comprising at least one elastic member mounted on the rotation shaft that is configured to apply an elastic force that tends to return the first and second pivotal plates to a predetermined rotational position relative to the fixed plate.

32. (New) The hinge structure of claim 31, wherein the at least one elastic member comprises a spring having a first end coupled to the fixed plate and a second end coupled to one of the first and second pivotal plates.